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Date: Tuesday, 14 October 2014

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Committee:
Young People's Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 22 October 2014

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter
Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Members of the Committee

Joyce Barrow (Chairman)
Peggy Mullock (Vice Chairman)
Andy Boddington
Hannah Fraser
Vince Hunt

Robert Macey
Kevin Pardy
Robert Tindall
Kevin Turley
David Turner

Co-opted Members (Voting):

Austin Atkinson
Paul Wignall
Dominic Wilson

Diocese of Shrewsbury (RC)
Diocese of Hereford (CE)
Parent Governor - Secondary Schools

Co-opted Members (Non-Voting):

Mark Hignett

Voluntary and Community Sector
Assembly

Substitute Members:

Charlotte Barnes
Dean Carroll
Peter Cherrington
Roger Evans
Jane MacKenzie

William Parr
Stuart West
Michael Wood
Tina Woodward
Paul Wynn

Substitute Co-opted Members (Voting):

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AGENDA

1 Apologies and Substitutions

To receive apologies for absence and notification of any substitute members.

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded they must not participate in the discussion or vote on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

3 Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)

The minutes of the last meeting, held on 10 September 2014, are attached for confirmation.

4 Public Question Time

To receive any questions, statements or petitions of which members of the public have given notice.

Deadline for notification is: Friday 17 October 2014

5 Members' Question Time

To receive any questions of which Members of the Council have given notice.

Deadline for notification: Friday 17 October 2014

6 Changes to Youth Services (To Follow)

Report to follow

7 Pupil Premium for Looked After Children (Pages 7 - 12)

This report outlines the change in the management of the Pupil Premium grant for Looked After Children (LAC) which came into force from April 2014. It outlines the main changes and the impact that this has on Shropshire LAC, LAC from other local authorities placed in Shropshire, and Shropshire schools.

8 Rapid Action Group (RAG) - Cost of Looked After Children (Pages 13 - 18)

To receive the report of the RAG

9 Work Programme (Pages 19 - 34)

The Current Scrutiny Work Programme and Cabinet Forward Plan are attached

10 Date of Next Meeting

Members are reminded that the next scheduled meeting will take place on Wednesday 20 November 2014 at 10.00am at The Shirehall



YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2014

10.00 am - 12.40 pm in the Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND

Responsible Officer: Tim Ward

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Present

Shropshire Councillors

Councillor Joyce Barrow (Chairman)

Councillors Peggy Mullock (Vice Chairman), Hannah Fraser, Vince Hunt, Robert Macey, Kevin Pardy, Robert Tindall, Kevin Turley, David Turner and Roger Evans (Substitute) (substitute for Andy Boddington)

Co-Opted Members (Voting)

Austin Atkinson and Dominic Wilson

Co-Opted Members (Non- Voting)

Mark Hignett

24 **Apologies and Substitutions**

24.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Boddington.

24.2 Councillor Evans substituted for Councillor Boddington.

25 **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

25.1 None were disclosed.

26 **Minutes**

26.1 RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Young People's Scrutiny Committee held on the 16 July 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

27 **Public Question Time**

27.1 There were no questions from members of the public.

28 **Members' Question Time**

28.1 There were no questions from Members.

29 Quarterly Performance Report

- 29.1 The meeting received the report of the Director of Children's Services which summarised the latest performance indicators in relation to Social Care and Education for Children and Young People as at the end of the financial year 2013/14.
- 29.2 A Member commented on the seemingly low performance at key stage 2 for higher level students and asked for the reasons for this. The Head of Education Improvement and Efficiency advised that work on the identification of the issues around the higher level performance was being undertaken. She went on to say that there had been some improvement but this would be hard to quantify until the next tranche of data was received, but that there was clear improvement in grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- 29.3 A Member asked whether there were any statistics for children educated at home. The Head of Education Improvement and Efficiency advised him that these would be included in a future report to the Committee.
- 29.4 A Member commented that there had been a 57% increase in referrals to Children's Social Care and asked for the reason for this. The Head of Safeguarding commented that the increase was in line with increases in other councils, and that referrals resulted in a number of outcomes. She went on to say that part of the early help work was aimed at reducing the number of referrals.
- 29.5 A Member asked why the percentage of referrals within 12 months of a previous referral had doubled in the 12 month period. The Head of Safeguarding explained that this rise was partially due to changes in the way that data was recorded. The Director of Children's Services commented that when compared with the Council's statistical neighbours the figures were in line with the national picture.
- 29.6 A Member commented that the majority of assessments seemed to be completed at the end of the 45 day target period. The Director of Children's Services commented that the length of time taken to do assessments depended on the complexity of the case especially where several agencies were involved.
- 29.7 A Member remarked that the number of looked after children (LAC) per 10,000 was still rising. The Head of Safeguarding stated that, although there was still a rise in the numbers, the county was still well below the figures for both the statistical neighbours and the national figures. She informed Members that the largest increase was in the 15 years and over age group and that there was also a rise in the 0 to 2 years age group which reflected our earlier recognition of cases of neglect. The Director of Children's Services commented that the decision to take a child into care was a difficult one and was always taken to ensure the best long term outcome for the child.
- 29.8 A Member asked whether the data covered the Telford and Wrekin area as well as Shropshire. The Director of Children's Services advised that it covered the Shropshire Council area and that Telford and Wrekin compiled their own data.

- 29.9 The Portfolio Holder for Children's Services reminded Members that when looking at the trends in the data it was important to take into account the work being undertaken around service redesign.
- 29.10 A Member asked whether the increase in the number of children with child protection plans (CPP) was due to an increase in the number of children with plans in place being more than the number of children having their plans removed. The Head of Safeguarding commented that this may be the case. She informed the meeting that work was ongoing on the issue of repeat CPPs and commented that it was important that the second plan did not just repeat what was contained in the first plan.
- 29.11 A Member asked whether the stability of placements depended on the quality of the placement. The Head of Safeguarding commented that the change in the figures had resulted from the decision to move out of county placements back to Shropshire. The Director of Children's Services reminded Members that this decision had been made as it was better for the long term outcomes for the children and it was also more cost effective to accommodate children in Shropshire rather than out of the county.
- 29.12 The Chair thanked Officers for the report and for answering questions.

30 Child Sexual Exploitation

- 30.1 The meeting received a presentation from the Service Specialist – Safeguarding and Review (copy attached to signed minutes) which provided an update on work being done in Shropshire to raise awareness of and to prevent child sexual exploitation (CSE).
- 30.2 A Member expressed concern that 7 out of the 20 cases considered were or became looked after children (LAC). The Service Specialist explained that the majority of the young people concerned became LAC as a result of concerns raised and that only one had been a LAC prior to the concerns being raised.
- 30.3 A Member commended the fact that the number of referrals by schools had increased and asked what training was provided for teachers and governors. The Head of Education Improvement and Efficiency informed the meeting that all schools had to have a child protection lead and that they received full training on CSE. It was noted that schools could also buy in training for other teachers and governors. A Member commented that she had received training as a governor and that it had been very worthwhile. The Portfolio Holder for Children's Services commented that elected members had received safeguarding training as part of their induction training and that it may be an opportune time to repeat this training. Members agreed and requested that the co-opted members of the committee also be invited to this training.
- 30.4 A Member commented that the opportunities for people to become involved in the recognition of CSE were encouraging but was concerned that some of the information was not available. The Service Specialist commented that the Council

should not be complacent regarding the need to continually raise awareness. The Director of Children's Services commented on the collective responsibility of all stakeholders to raise awareness. She drew attention to the Shropshire Safeguarding Children Board (SSCB) website that contained a lot of useful information on this subject. It was noted that a media campaign was planned.

- 30.5 A Member suggested that Parish and Town Councils could be used to raise awareness and that training could be offered through the SALC training programme. The Portfolio Holder commented that she felt that this would be a good way of raising awareness and that she would take this forward. It was also agreed to undertake Member briefings
- 30.6 A Member asked what work was being done to raise awareness within other youth and sporting groups. The Director of Children's Services stated that groups affiliated to the Shropshire Youth Association received training and guidance, and that sporting clubs were usually affiliated to county or national associations with clear safeguarding policies.
- 30.7 A Member commented that there were a number of out of county looked after children resident within the county and asked what provision was made for them. The Director of Children's Services responded that, whilst responsibility for these children remained with the home authority, Shropshire Council had a duty of care towards them and was working closely with the private care providers to agree processes and procedures around recognising the risks.
- 30.8 A Member asked whether the Council was advised when the police were called due to LAC absconding. The Service Specialist advised that there was a protocol that all authorities had signed up to and that in Shropshire this information was passed on by the police co-ordinator.
- 30.9 A Member asked whether the risk assessments carried out were robust. The Service Specialist advised that they had been recently reviewed and were up to date.
- 30.10 The Chair thanked the Service Specialist for his presentation.

31 Corporate Parenting

- 31.1 It was agreed that due to time constraints the presentation on Corporate Parenting would be deferred to a future meeting.

32 NEETS

- 32.1 The meeting received a presentation from the Information, Advice & Guidance (IAG) & Transition Manager on work being done to reduce the number of young people in Shropshire not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET).

- 32.2 A Member asked what the current trends were with regards to the number of NEETS in the County. The IAG & Transition Manager agreed to circulate current data after the meeting.
- 32.3 Members congratulated the Officers on the good work they were doing and the Chairman thanks Officers for their presentation.

33 Work Programme

- 33.1 The meeting received copies of the current Scrutiny Work Programme and the Cabinet Forward Plan.
- 33.2 The Chairman asked Members to let her know of any other topics they would like added to the Committee's Work Programme.

34 Date of Next Meeting

- 34.1 Members were reminded that the next meeting of the Committee would be held at 10.00am on 22 October 2014 at The Shirehall

Signed (Chairman)

Date:

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Young People's Scrutiny

22 October 2014

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PUPIL PREMIUM ARRANGEMENTS FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN (LAC) **APRIL 2014/15**

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1. Summary

This report outlines the change in the management of the Pupil Premium grant for Looked After Children (LAC) which came into force from April 2014. It outlines the main changes and the impact that this has on Shropshire LAC, LAC from other local authorities placed in Shropshire, and Shropshire schools.

2. Recommendation

Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

REPORT

3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

The Pupil Premium Grant is being used to support the educational progress and attainment of Shropshire's Looked After Children.

4. Financial Implications

Any underspend in the Pupil Premium Grant will need to be returned to the Department for Education at the end of the financial year 2014-15.

5. Background

- 5.1 Pupil Premium funding is additional funding given to publically funded schools in England to help them raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the attainment gap between them and their peers. Funding is available to both mainstream and non-mainstream schools, such as special schools and pupil referral units.

Pupil Premium funding was introduced in 2011 and was available to three identified groups of disadvantaged pupils:-

- children and young people eligible for free schools meals;
- children and young people with parents in the regular armed forces; and
- LAC.

Funding allocations have increased over the years and previously the majority of this funding was paid direct into schools budgets.

5.2 **Virtual School Headteacher (VSH)**

The Children and Families Act 2014 confirmed that local authorities in England have a duty to promote the educational achievement of LAC and that they must appoint at least one person for the purpose of discharging this duty. That person must be an officer employed by that authority or another local authority in England and can be called the Virtual Headteacher for LAC (VSH).

5.3 **Main changes in the Pupil Premium for LAC - April 2014**

The conditions for grant for the pupil premium arrangements for LAC changed in April 2014. The three main changes are:

- a. “First, LAC attract a Pupil premium of £1900, more than double the amount they attracted in 2013-14;
- b. Secondly, the cohort of LAC who attract the pupil Premium is bigger and includes children looked after from the first day of care rather than, as previously, only those who had been looked after for six months or more; and
- c. Thirdly, for 2014-15 the Pupil Premium for LAC must be managed by the VSH in the authority that looks after them. Unlike in previous years, there is no requirement for an authority to pass the funding onto the school where the child is on roll to contribute towards meeting the needs identified in their Personal Education Plan (PEP). The presumption, however, is funding is passed to the school and this is strongly encouraged”.

Pupil Premium and the role of the Virtual School Head 2014-15 FAQs (March 2014)

<http://documents.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/PupilPremiumforchildrenincare201415.pdf>

5.4 **Shropshire VSH and Schools**

- 5.4.1 The Shropshire LAC Education Team is a very well established multi-agency team led by the VSH that has been working with LAC, schools, carers, parents, social workers, health professionals, residential staff and many others since 1999 to promote the educational achievements for Shropshire LAC. The Department for Education have changed the arrangements for the management of the Pupil Premium for LAC to:

“...reflect more effectively the particular challenges of supporting their education. Now that VSH’s will be statutory they will be responsible as part of the corporate parent role to promote the educational achievement of children looked after by their authority. Ministers therefore want them to have a greater role in working with schools to ensure that duty is fulfilled.

The conditions of grant for 2014-15 states clearly that the Pupil Premium grant allocations must be managed by the designated VSH for the children looked after by the authority. This has statutory force ...”

5.4.2 Alongside this duty to promote the educational achievements of LAC sits the accountability for the VSH. It is clear that the VSH remains accountable to the Director of Children’s Services and/or the Chief Executive and the Lead Member for Children.

5.4.3 The VSH and LAC Education and Health Team have consulted widely and have briefed and trained Headteachers and Designated Teachers for LAC on the arrangements that will be made to support these changes in grant. Underpinning these arrangements are some core beliefs around LAC and Shropshire schools:

- that Shropshire schools generally are aware of the particular needs and challenges of LAC and do a good job in supporting individuals and groups of LAC;
- that there is a spirit of co-operation and working together already established in Shropshire between schools and the VSH regarding LAC;
- that resources should be targeted on those LAC most in need of support in a manner reflecting accountability and an overview of the whole LAC cohort;
- that all LAC should be supported to achieve at: at least expected levels of progress and should be challenged and supported to exceed this wherever possible;
- that schools are best placed to support our LAC on a day to day basis and that the LAC Designated Teacher should have access to Pupil Premium funding to support clearly designed support packages reflecting needs and potential progress;
- that this progress needs to be regularly reviewed and recorded to demonstrate the impact of additional targeted funding in raising the levels of attainment of each LAC;
- that educational targets and progress should be discussed and agreed with the child and a range of partners through the PEP process and that this in turn should be directly linked to the allocation of Pupil Premium funding.

5.4.3 The VSH will continue to report (in the Annual Report) to members on the outcomes for Shropshire LAC. Additionally in 2015 a report on the specific allocation of Pupil Premium funding and its impact on progress will be available.

5.5 Pupil Premium and Adopted Children/Special Guardianships/Residence Order

- 5.5.1 The definition of LAC was extended in December 2013 to include those pupils recorded on the January 2014 schools census who were looked after immediately before being adopted on, or after 30th December 2005, or were placed on a Special Guardianship or Residence Order immediately after being looked after.
- 5.5.2 In order to attract the Pupil Premium grant it is for the parent to inform the school direct, for the school to verify and record this information on their school census, and that the funding (£1900) is paid into the school budget. The allocation of this aspect of the Pupil Premium grant does not involve the Virtual School Head (VSH).

5.6 LAC from other local authorities placed in Shropshire

- 5.6.1 Historically, and currently, Shropshire have a significant number of LAC from other local authorities placed within county and attending Shropshire schools. The Shropshire VSH has always worked with Shropshire schools to support them in working with this cohort of LAC. The allocation and management of the Pupil Premium funding however will lie with the VSH from the local authority which looks after that child/young person.
- 5.6.2 Information gathered through the VSH national and regional groups suggests a wide variety of approaches to the allocation and monitoring of pupil premium for LAC across local authorities. Some local authorities are retaining a good deal of the grant to develop local resources for their LAC, which will have a direct impact on those LAC placed out of authority (and in Shropshire), some are giving schools a proportion of the funding (on a termly, half yearly or annual basis) and retaining a proportion for centralised services, and some authorities are passing the entire funding allocation directly to schools.
- 5.6.3 Understandably Shropshire Headteachers have raised concerns about this with the Shropshire VSH. The advice given has been to ensure that the needs of the individual LAC are clearly articulated alongside a clear, costed plan of action which can be discussed and agreed at the statutory PEP meeting for the LAC. The social worker from the placing local authority must then liaise with their own VSH to ensure funds are released to support the plan for the individual. Shropshire's VSH will continue to support any Shropshire school in liaising with colleague VSH's where there are problems/concerns.

6 Alternative Options and Appraisal

N/A

7 Additional Information

N/A

8 **Conclusion**

- 8.1 The impact of the changes in the management of the Pupil Premium grant for LAC is yet to be realised given it was recently introduced in April 2014. The transfer of responsibility for managing this grant to the VSH is welcomed as is the expectation that the VSH and schools will continue to work closely together to support the progress and outcomes for all Shropshire LAC. Shropshire have a long established positive relationship between schools and the VSH and outcomes for LAC are generally above national levels. However, there is still much work to do in closing the gap between LAC and the outcomes of their peers whether this is purely in academic outcomes, attendance at school levels or post statutory destinations. The emphasis on the potential to target resources on individual LAC thereby developing the knowledge and skills of designated teachers for LAC is considerable and Shropshire look forward to increased opportunities to work with schools around this.
- 8.2 The area of concern is how Shropshire schools will be able to support the progress and outcomes of LAC from other local authorities who attend their schools. The statutory requirement that all English local authorities have in place a VSH should enable direct contact and discussion to take place regarding the needs of individual LAC. Whilst Shropshire's VSH is able to advise and support Shropshire schools in this, it is important that schools have clearly developed and costed plans for individuals and can regularly and accurately feedback to VSH's and demonstrate progress of individual LAC.
- 8.3 The VSH will be providing a report on Pupil Premium, as required by OFSTED, in the Summer term 2015. This report will be made available to Members and at the following Scrutiny Panel the VSH and a Shropshire Headteacher will attend to discuss how this new procedure has been received.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

Pupil Premium and the role of the Virtual School Head 2014-15 FAQs (March 2014)

<http://documents.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/PupilPremiumforchildrenincare201415.pdf>

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)

Councillor Ann Hartley

Local Member

All

Conflicts of interest declared by members

Appendices

N/A



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Rapid Action Group LAC Foster Care Provision

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1. Summary

1.1 Rapid Action Group

In March 2014 a Rapid Action Group was established as part of Scrutiny. The focus of the group was to provide support and a "critical friend" challenge to the development and management of foster care provision in Shropshire. This report provides an update on activities to date.

2. Recommendations

- To note the work of RAG group within the wider context of the LAC strategy and Shropshire Corporate Parenting Strategy.
- For all members to take every opportunity in their work with the community to raise awareness on the need for increased foster care provision in Shropshire.
- That Scrutiny receive a full report in the future regarding the proposals for continued LAC placement provision.

REPORT

3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

Within the LAC strategy and sufficiency duties we will complete the Havenbrook pilot evaluation in conjunction with reviewing the use of our internal residential resources, reviewing the existing block contract for residential beds and the successful recruitment of targeted foster carers in Shropshire to ensure we have a wide range of placement provision to meet the needs of our looked after children and ensure that these are at best value.

Changes to current provision both internal and commissioned contract present risk to children in care regarding stability and continuity of placement in any transition period.

Changes to how we use our internal provision to implement the overarching LAC strategy presents possible risk to staff through changes of role, responsibilities and employment status.

4. Financial Implications

There is a three year saving target against the LAC placement budgets with targets of £2,266 in 2014/15, £1,370 in 2015/16 and £1,589 in 2016/17. We aim to achieve this through reducing the numbers of children coming into care, reducing the time spent in care and to down tariff children from high cost and external placement into local and internal care placements.

5. Background

5.1 The group has met on four occasions between March and September 2014 and has had a consistent membership of:

- Cllr Joyce Barrow
- Cllr Vince Hunt
- Cllr Jane Mackenzie
- Cllr Cecilia Motley
- Cllr Hannah Fraser
- Tina Russell – Head of Service
- Sophie Wales – Service Manager

5.2 The group met with foster carers and established an action plan of activities that collectively sought to raise the profile and influence best practice in the recruitment of foster carers in Shropshire.

5.3 A review of the Shropshire Fostering Service was undertaken in June – August 2014 by a Shropshire graduate. The aim of the review was to ensure Shropshire Council's fostering service was competitive, innovative and good value for money. During the review the graduate met with the social work team, attended team meetings and recruitment events, met with carers, shadowed social worker visits, attended Placement Forum and Foster Panel. This helped ensure an understanding of the process from beginning to end for both connected persons and foster carers.

The key issues and findings of the review were:

- the practice of the social workers in the team is of good quality.
- there is a good value for money contract with a provider for advertisement and recruitment processes.
- the key areas for re-design were:
 - the need to introduce measures to manage an increasing workload.
 - the development of foster carer recruitment processes to ensure that direct contact with potential carers expressing an interest was established and that

- they were buddied with experienced foster carers through the assessment process. This was felt to be key to positive recruitment.
- to establish new ways of working to reduce the time taken for form F assessment (the assessment of prospective foster carers) from an average of six months to four. This would improve the experience for the carer as well as speed up recruitment, given the competitive market for recruitment that exists.
- 5.4 In addition to the above review lessons from complaints have also been reviewed. This identified the need to ensure that processes for recruitment, registration, annual review and safeguarding are clearer to all parties, with an improved practical process and recording of purpose and decision making in each process. It was also identified that the voice of the child and the voice of the carer are also insufficiently heard within these processes.
- 5.5 A three year analysis of our looked after child population has also been completed. Through analysis of new accommodation and de-accommodations in age and outcomes we have been able to identify the type of placement provisions required to meet the needs of our LAC population. Key being the need to have foster carers who can care for sibling groups, carers who can care for teenagers and more challenging young people and who can provide crisis care and also carers who can work with birth parents / family carers where a care plan for rehabilitation has been agreed in the child's best interests.
- 5.6 Work is underway to draw up a detailed action plan that sets out how and when these developments will be achieved. As part of the RAG group activity and this action plan Cllr Hunt is following through one new form F assessment process with a prospective carer and Cllr Mackenzie will be working alongside managers and the team to work through the agreed action plan.
- 5.7 Children looked after by Shropshire council are a priority for Children's Services and the Council as a whole. We act as corporate parents to these children and our vision and commitment as corporate parents is set out in the June 2014 Corporate Parenting Strategy.
- 5.8 We have also developed a Looked After Children strategy that identifies the overarching principals we will work to for children in the edge of care and those who are received into local authority care. These principals are:
- That we prevent children needing to come into the care system where it is safe to do so and we support them to remain in the care of their family, providing support to families and children for as long as it is needed to ensure that the care and experience of life for the child is safe, stable and promotes their welfare.
 - That we deliver our services with flexibility and use innovative approaches to provide a range of services to children and families to meet individual need providing the right service and the right time.
 - That we ensure that our care plans for children have taken into account the views of children and their parents and that we promote an approach to our work which is solution and think family focussed.
 - That where children need to come into local authority care to protect them from harm we progress our assessments and care planning to permanency without

undue delay achieving a permanent stable outcome as soon as possible , promoting permanency in family care including reunification where it is safe and in the child's best interest to do so.

5.9 Our strategy for working with children in local authority care recognises the wide range and complex needs presented by individual children and often their parents. It acknowledges the research that tells us that children achieve better outcomes when cared for in their family and local communities where it is safe to do. Where children are removed from parental care the importance of timely permanency planning to stable long-term permanency options is crucial. Where children are returned home from care, support to their families is essential to ensure this rehabilitation is successful.

The outcomes we seek to achieve in our LAC strategy is therefore not simply to reduce the number of children we receive into local authority care but to:

- Reduce the number of children received into local authority care via Section 20 i.e. family breakdown, where timely and effective early help could have prevented the need for LA care.
- Increase the number of children who achieve permanency outside local authority care in order to ensure these children can lead 'normal' family lives without long term intervention of the local authority.
- To increase the number of children who are placed locally in Shropshire maximising potential to achieve stability in their school and health provision and connections with community and family where this is appropriate.
- Reduce the duration of time children spend in local authority care, achieving permanency as soon as possible.
- Reduce the number of children re-entering the care system by supporting sustained rehabilitation to parental care where it is safe to do so.

5.10 The 2012/13 level of LAC per 10K under 18yrs population for Shropshire (39.5) was below the level of statistical neighbours (49.7) and all England (59.8). The number of LAC has continued to increase during 2013/14 reaching a rate of 44.4 but this is still below the SN and All England figure of 12/13 and we know from our regional data that all authorities are seeing a continuing rise in their LAC population. As identified in our principals above, whilst we seek to reduce the overall number of LAC this is insufficient as a single indicator to measure outcomes for children. We seek to reduce number alongside providing timely intervention and good quality care planning.

5.11 Children's placements are key to this work. Our sufficiency duties require us to provide placements that meet the needs of children in our care. As part of our sufficiency duties and our own LAC strategy we seek to provide a range of provisions through foster care, friends and family foster care and residential care which all provide short breaks, crisis care and outreach support to families.

5.12 In Shropshire we have had the following foster care placement developments over the past two years which evidences an increase in the number of foster carers and the number of friends and family members assessed and recruited as foster carer for children in their family.

	2012/13	2013/14	% Change
Approved foster places as at 31/03/2014	171	188	9.9
How many of those places were filled (no. of children placed)	118	144	22.0
No. of children placed (exc. Short breaks) between 01/04 and 31/03	206	267	29.6
Places filled family and friends foster care at 31 Mar	29	60	106.9

But we still need to do more.

6 Alternative Options and Appraisal

N/A

7. Additional Information

None

8. Conclusions

Within the LAC strategy and sufficiency duties we will complete the Havenbrook pilot evaluation in conjunction with reviewing the use of our internal residential resources, reviewing the existing block contract for residential beds and the successful recruitment of targeted foster carers in Shropshire to ensure we have a wide range of placement provision which meets the needs of our looked after children at best value

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

Corporate Parenting Strategy June 2014
Scrutiny report : Havenbrook Short Breaks July 2014

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)

Councillor Ann Hartley

Local Member

All Members

Conflicts of interest declared by members

N/A

Appendices

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Agenda Item 9

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WORK PROGRAMME 2013-14

DATE	TOPIC	PURPOSE
Wed 22 October 2014, 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RAG Report • Pupil Premium for LAC • Youth Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update report on changes to youth services
Thursday 20 November 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Issues CAMHS/TaHMS/Early Help • Shropshire's Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report? • Financial Scrutiny 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider the progress in delivering the Council's Financial Strategy (and therefore the Business Plan) and to help inform the refresh and refocus for 2015/16 onwards
Wed 17 December 2014 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report • Schools Funding and Sustainability • Corporate Parenting? • Independent Reviewing Officers Annual Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Havenbrook 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To receive an update report
Wed 4 February 2015 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues
Wednesday 1 April 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues

THE CABINET FORWARD PLAN

This Notice, known as the Cabinet Forward Plan, sets out the Decisions, including Key Decisions, which are likely to be taken during the period covered by the Plan by either Cabinet as a whole or by individual members of the Executive. The Plan is updated each month and at least 28 clear days before a key decision is to be taken and is available from Council Offices, libraries and on the Council's Internet site (www.shropshire.gov.uk). This edition supersedes all previous editions.

Further Information

Cabinet is comprised of the following members: Mr K Barrow (Leader); Mrs A Hartley (Deputy Leader); Mr T Barker; Mr G butler; Mrs K Calder; Mr L Chapman; Mr S Charmley; Mr M Owen; Mr M Price; and Mrs C Wild. To view more details, please click on the following link :

<http://shropsdemserv.web.coop/CommitteeServices/CouncilMeetingsAndDecisions/Cabinet>

A Key Decision is one which is likely to result in income, expenditure or savings of £500,000 or greater, or to have a significant effect, on, two or more Electoral Divisions. In two member divisions i.e. Oswestry and Market Drayton, these are to be treated for the purpose of a key decision as two divisions.

Members of the public are welcome to attend full Cabinet meetings and ask a question and/or make a statement in accordance with the Council's Procedure Rules. If you would like further details please email penny.chamberlain@shropshire.gov.uk or telephone 01743 252729.

Members of the public are also welcome to submit a request to address or to ask a question of the Member making the Portfolio Holder decision. Any request should be submitted in writing to the Chief Executive at the address below by no later than 2 clear working days before the proposed Member Session. This is to ensure that the individual member has sufficient time to decide whether or not to hear such persons and if so the arrangements to be made. If you would like further details please telephone 01743 252729 or email penny.chamberlain@shropshire.gov.uk.

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Documents shown are listed at Shropshire Council, The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND.

CABINET FORWARD PLAN FOR 3 OCTOBER 2014 ONWARDS

DECISION MAKER - Cabinet 15 October 2014

Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Wednesday, 15 October 2014	Report of the Discretionary Housing Payments Task and Finish Group	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Nigel Bishop, Head of Service Support, Marketing and Engagement Tel: 01743 252348 nigel.bishop@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 9 September 2014
Wednesday, 15 October 2014	Report 2 - Financial Strategy 2014/15 - 2024/25	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 20 May 2014
Wednesday, 15 October 2014	Revenue Monitor 2014/15 Period 5	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 20 May 2014
Wednesday, 15 October 2014	Capital Monitor 2014/15 Period 5	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 20 May 2014

Wednesday, 15 October 2014	Quarter 1 Performance Report	No	Portfolio Holder for Transformation Performance		Tom Dodds, Performance Manager Tel: 01743 252011 tom.dodds@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 1 September 2014
Wednesday, 15 October 2014	ip&e Ltd - Business Plan	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Business Growth, ip&e and Commissioning (North)	Exempt	Nigel Bishop, Head of Service Support, Marketing and Engagement Tel: 01743 252348 nigel.bishop@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 5 September 2014

DECISION MAKER - Cabinet from November 2014 onwards

Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Not before Monday, 10th November, 2014	Shropshire Council Smallholding Estate	Yes	Mike Owen, Portfolio Holder	Exempt	Steph Jackson, Head of Commercial Services Tel: 01743 253862 steph.jackson@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 4 September 2014

DECISION MAKER - Cabinet 10 December 2014

Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
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Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Financial Strategy 2014/15 - 2024/25 - Report 3	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 30 May 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Treasury Management Update - Quarter 2 2014/15	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 30 May 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Treasury Strategy 2014/15 - Mid Year Review	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 30 May 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Capital Strategy 2014/15 - 2018/19 - Draft	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 30 May 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Setting the Council Tax Taxbase for 2015/16	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 30 May 2014

Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Fees & Charges 2015/16	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 30 May 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Shropshire Schools Funding Formula 2015 to 2016	Yes	Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Children's Services, Transformation and Safeguarding		Karen Bradshaw, Director of Children's Services Tel: 01743 254201 Karen.Bradshaw@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 6 October 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Quarter 2 2014/15 Performance report	No	Portfolio Holder for Transformation Performance		Tom Dodds, Performance Manager Tel: 01743 252011 tom.dodds@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 1 September 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Shropshire Marches and Natural Growth LEADER Programmes (2014 - 2020): Shropshire Council as Accountable Body	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Business Growth, ip&e and Commissioning (North)		Andrew M Evans, Head of Business Growth and Prosperity Tel: 01743 253869 andy.evans@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 1 September 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	West Midlands Rail Devolution A report detailing context, progress to date and requesting Council support through Cabinet for the continuation of the development of the proposal.	No	Portfolio Holder for Highways and Transport		Matt Johnson, Transport Planning Commissioner (North) matt.johnson@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 30 September 2014

Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Shrewsbury West Sustainable Urban Extension: Implementation of the development including costs and contributions to development and infrastructure	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central)	Exempt	Chris Hill, Team Leader Investment and Infrastructure, Business and Enterprise Team Tel: 01743 252273 chris.hill@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 24 September 2013
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Marches Local Enterprise Partnership Local Growth Fund and Priority Projects	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Business Growth, ip&e and Commissioning (North)	Exempt	Andrew M Evans, Head of Business Growth and Prosperity Tel: 01743 253869 andy.evans@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 26 August 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Kempsfield Residential Care Home Contract Award Cabinet will consider an exempt report by the Head of Social Care Improvement and Efficiency on the contract award for Kempfield Residential Care Home.	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South)	Exempt	Ruth Houghton, Head of Social Care Improvement and Efficiency Tel: 01743 254203 ruth.houghton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 28 February 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Aquamira and Albert Road Day Opportunities Contract Award Cabinet will consider an exempt report by the Head of Social Care Improvement and Efficiency on the Aquamira and Albert Road Day Opportunities Contract Award.	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South)	Exempt	Ruth Houghton, Head of Social Care Improvement and Efficiency Tel: 01743 254203 ruth.houghton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 28 February 2014

Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Connecting Shropshire - Phase 2 Procurement	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Business Growth, ip&e and Commissioning (North)	Exempt	Andrew M Evans, Head of Business Growth and Prosperity Tel: 01743 253869 andy.evans@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 26 September 2014
Wednesday, 10 December 2014	Shrewsbury Town Council Service Level Agreement For Grounds Maintenance Works	Yes	Deputy Portfolio Holder for Highways/Transport/Commissioning	Exempt	Chris Edwards, Area Commissioner South chris.edwards@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 6 October 2014

DECISION MAKER - Cabinet - 11 February 2015

Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Revenue Monitor Quarter 3 2014 to 2015	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Capital Monitor Report Quarter 3 2014 to 2015	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014

Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Financial Strategy 2014 to 2015 final report	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Robustness of Estimates and Adequacy of Reserves	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Estimate Collection Fund Outturn 2014 to 2015	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Treasury Management Update Quarter 3 2014 to 2015	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Treasury Strategy 2015 to 2016	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014

Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Capital Strategy 2014 to 2015 and 2018 to 2019 final report	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Housing Revenue Account 2014 to 2015	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Improved Swimming Facilities for Shrewsbury	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Libraries and Culture		George Candler, Director of Commissioning Tel: 01743 255003 george.candler@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Outcome of Hubs/Libraries/Registrars Consultation	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Libraries and Culture		George Candler, Director of Commissioning Tel: 01743 255003 george.candler@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Quarter 3 2014/15 Performance Report	No	Portfolio Holder for Transformation Performance		Tom Dodds, Performance Manager Tel: 01743 252011 tom.dodds@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 1 September 2014

Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Avalon Day Opportunities Contract Award	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South)	Exempt	Ruth Houghton, Head of Social Care Improvement and Efficiency Tel: 01743 254203 ruth.houghton@shropshire.gov.uk	
Wednesday, 11 February 2015	Final Business Case for the Development of a new delivery model for Planning, Public Protection, Environmental and Business Support Services	Yes	Malcolm Price, Portfolio Holder	Exempt	Paul McCreary, Head of Public Protection Tel: 01743 253868 paul.mcgreary@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South) - Lee Chapman - no items known to date						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
DECISION MAKER - Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Children's Services - Ann Hartley						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Not before Tuesday, 7th October, 2014	Education Psychology Service	No	Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Children's Services, Transformation and Safeguarding		Karen Bradshaw, Director of Children's Services Tel: 01743 254201 Karen.Bradshaw@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 4 August 2014

Not before Monday, 17th November, 2014	Special Educational Needs - development of hub	Yes	Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Children's Services, Transformation and Safeguarding		Anne Gribbin anne.gribbin@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 6 October 2014
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Health - Karen Calder						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Not before Tuesday, 7th October, 2014	Location of Offices used by the Registrar's Service The Portfolio Holder for Health will consider a report by the Registration and Coroners Services Manager/Superintendent Registrar on the future location of offices used by the Registrar's Service.	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Health		Karen Burton, Registration and Coroners Service Manager Tel: 01743 281356 karen.burton@shropshire.gov.uk 01743 281356 karen.burton@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 28 February 2014
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Business Growth, ip&e and Commissioning (North) - no items known to date						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Highways and Transport - Claire Wild						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt /	Contact for further information re documents /	Date Uploaded

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Not before Tuesday, 7th October, 2014	Targeted De-commissioning and Removal of Non-Essential Street Lights The Portfolio Holder for Highways and Transport – Cllr Claire Wild – will consider a report on the targeted decommissioning and removal of non-essential street lights.	Yes	Claire Wild, Portfolio Holder		George Candler, Director of Commissioning Tel: 01743 255003 george.candler@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 21 January 2014
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Libraries and Culture - Gwilym Butler - no items known to date						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Performance - Tim Barker - no items known to date						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central) - Malcolm Price						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan

Not before Tuesday, 7th October, 2014	Minor Amendments to the Shropshire Affordable Housing Allocations Policy and Scheme	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Andy Begley andy.begley@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 28 August 2014
Monday, 20 October 2014	Bicton Parish Neighbourhood Plan: Designation of Plan Area	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Andy Mortimer, Policy and Environment Manager Tel: 01743 252566 andy.mortimer@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 8 September 2014
Monday, 20 October 2014	Shifnal Parish Neighbourhood Plan: Designation of Plan Area	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Andy Mortimer, Policy and Environment Manager Tel: 01743 252566 andy.mortimer@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 8 September 2014
Monday, 20 October 2014	Shropshire Council Draft Local Development Scheme 2015-2018	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Andy Mortimer, Policy and Environment Manager Tel: 01743 252566 andy.mortimer@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 8 September 2014
Not before Wednesday, 29th October, 2014	Shropshire Housing Group - Change in Constitution (Meres & Mosses Housing Association)	Yes	Deputy Portfolio Holder Planning and Housing		Paul McGreary, Head of Public Protection Tel: 01743 253868 paul.mcgreary@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 29 September 2014
Not before Wednesday, 29th October, 2014	Shropshire Housing Group - Change in Constitution (South Shropshire Housing Association).	Yes	Deputy Portfolio Holder Planning and Housing		Paul McGreary, Head of Public Protection Tel: 01743 253868 paul.mcgreary@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 29 September 2014

Monday, 10 November 2014	Empty Homes Strategy 2014 to 2017	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Karen Collier, Service Manager - Environmental Health Tel: 01743 251711 karen.collier@shropshire.go v.uk	Friday, 12 September 2014
Thursday, 8 January 2015	Collaborative Working Proposal for the Management of Local Flood Risk between Shropshire Council and Staffordshire County Council	Yes	Malcolm Price, Portfolio Holder			Thursday, 17 July 2014
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support - Mike Owen - no items known to date						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan